

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

Investigation by the Department on its own motion as to the propriety of the rates and charges set forth in the tariff filings by Verizon – New England, Inc., d/b/a Verizon – Massachusetts

DTE 98-57, Phase III

**AT&T'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
A RESPONSE TO VERIZON'S MOTION FOR APPEAL**

AT&T respectfully requests that the deadline for filing a response to Verizon's Motion for Appeal in this proceeding be extended from Monday, November 4, 2002, to Tuesday, November 12, 2002. As grounds for this request, AT&T states that its counsel in this matter continues to be occupied briefing other matters before the Department in Docket No. 01-20, in which a Reply Brief is due on November 5, 2002, and is obligated to prepare for and participate in a full-day mediation of a federal antitrust case on November 6, 2002. The additional time requested will allow AT&T adequately to address Verizon's Motion for Appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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